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I fully support this bill. I witness landscapers using very noisy leaf blowers next door to me. The noise is very loud, beyond a decibel level which is considered safe to preserve hearing (my daughter is a sound engineer and has checked the level with her app).

I support this bill in the interest of environmental justice. Many of the landscapers are too poor to buy the safety protections which are not provided by their employers. Many are immigrants who may not understand how to protect themselves.

I support this bill in the interests of those who, like my daughter and granddaughter, suffer from asthma, which is aggravated by the emissions from gas powered equipment.

In addition, the emissions add to the acceleration of climate change, which the state is committed to combat.

The city of San Francisco has passed similar legislation, according to a friend who provided this link:https://sfgov.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=11294054&GUID=31D9184C-36AE-44D0-B4E1-F05E87AA3D50

Sincerely,

Anna Browder